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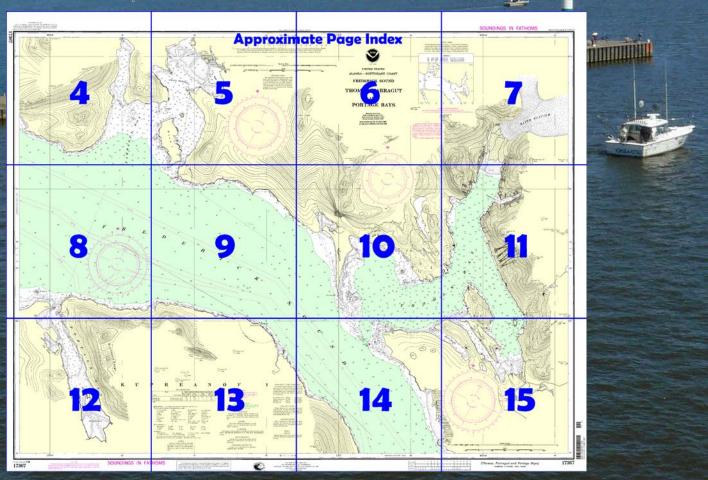
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## Frederick Sound – Thomas, Farragut and Portage Bays NOAA Chart 17367

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#### What is a BookletChart<sup>™</sup>?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at <a href="http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov">http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov</a>.

This BookletChart does NOT fulfill chart carriage requirements for regulated commercial vessels under Titles 33 and 44 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

#### **Notice to Mariners Correction Status**

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.

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(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)
Point Agassiz (56°55.4'N., 132°53.0'W.),
on the SE side of Frederick Sound, is low
and wooded. An extensive marsh flat
extends about 2 miles to the N.
Beacon Point, on the W shore, WNW of
Point Agassiz and about 3.6 miles N of
Sukoi Islets, is marked by a daybeacon.
Cape Strait is marked by Cape Strait
Light (56°59'53"N., 133°05'32"W.), shown
from a skeleton tower with a red and
white diamond-shaped daymark.

About 1.4 miles SE of Cape Strait is a small valley and bight. A reef extends 0.2 mile off the point on the E side of the bight.

Thomas Bay, about 3.6 miles E of Cape Strait, is the large estuary on the

N side of Frederick Sound between Wood Point and Point Vandeput. The entrance, marked by buoys, is about 10 miles N of the N entrance to Wrangell Narrows and 22 miles ESE of Cape Fanshaw. Good anchorage with protection from SE weather can be had off the S shore well inside Wood Point. Very good small-craft anchorage can be had in either of two small coves on the E shore of Ruth Island in depths of 3 to 10 fathoms, soft bottom.

Thomas Bay, from the bar to **Baird Glacier**, at its head, is about 10 miles long. The moraine of Baird Glacier was reported to have encroached to a point about 900 yards S of **Elephants Head** in 1976. On the SE side is an arm that extends S to the moraine of the **Patterson Glacier**. These glaciers do not discharge ice into the bay.

**Wood Point**, the E point of the entrance to Thomas Bay, is low and wooded. A kelp-covered reef, largely bare, extends 0.6 mile off Wood Point. A lighted bell buoy and an unlighted buoy mark the W extremity of the reef.

**Point Vandeput** is the S extremity of a low neck of land that extends 2.5 miles S from shore on the NW side of the entrance to the bay. A detached clump of trees is at the end of the wooded section of the point. A narrow channel, with a depth of 4 fathoms, separates the reef S of the point from a kelp-covered bar that extends 0.8 mile farther in a SE direction. A buoy marks the SE end of the bar. The 4-fathom channel should be used with local knowledge.

The **tidal currents** have a velocity of about 3 knots over the bar at the entrance to Thomas Bay, and swirls occur at times from the shoal spot in the middle of the channel to Point Vandeput. The swirls are little felt in the channel E of the shoal spot.

In 1982, several rocks that bare at low water were reported to be about 0.8 mile W of Spurt Point; caution is advised in this area.

**Bock Bight**, about 1.8 miles E of Wood Point, is a narrow and deep bight. The entrance to the bight is bare nearly 2 hours before low water, forming a dam with deep water inside that overflows with great force except at slack water.

**Ruth Island** is the large island on the W side of the entrance to the SE arm of the bay; close to its N end are a small islet and some low-water rocks. The NW entrance to the passage W of Ruth Island is shoal, but may be used by small vessels. A mooring buoy is about 400 feet W of the S tip of the island.

Anchorage for small boats may be had in 5 fathoms off the NW entrance of the passage between Ruth Island and the mainland. Anchorage for small vessels may be had in the bight E of Spray Island in 18 fathoms. The anchorage is close to the beach that is steep-to. Anchorage for larger vessels may be had in 11 fathoms, mud bottom, off the bight at the SE end of Ruth Island.

**Scenery Cove**, in the N part of Thomas Bay, does not afford anchorage except for small craft. Large vessels can anchor at the entrance to the cove in 7 to 15 fathoms.

**Farragut Bay** is the large indentation on the N side of Frederick Sound, about 8 miles NW of Cape Strait. The entrance, between Grand Point and Bay Point, is about 20 miles NW of the N entrance to Wrangell Narrows and 12 miles ESE of Cape Fanshaw.

**Grand Point**, the E point at the entrance to Farragut Bay, is marked by **Grand Point Light** (57°05'28"N., 133°11'13"W.), 16 feet above the water and shown on a pile with a red and white diamond-shaped daymark. The point is low and rocky at its end. **Bay Point**, the W point at the entrance, is bold and wooded.

U.S. Coast Guard Rescue Coordination Center 24 hour Regional Contact for Emergencies

RCC Juneau Commander

17th CG District (907) 463-2000 Juneau, Alaska

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#### HEIGHTS

Elevation of rocks, bridges, landmarks and lights are in feet and refer to Mean High Water. Contour and summit elevation values are in feet and refer to Mean Sea Level.

#### CAUTION

Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Notice to Mariners.

#### RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

#### POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

#### NOTE B

CAUTION

Several rocks have been reported to be bare at MLLW. Mariners should exercise caution in this area.

#### AIDS TO NAVIGATION

Consult U.S. Coast Guard Light List for supplemental information concerning aids to navigation.

#### HORIZONTAL DATUM

The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 1.221" southward and 6.202" westward to agree with this chart.

#### NOTE A

Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S. Coast Pilot 8. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notice to Mariners. Information concerning the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 17th Coast Guard District in Juneau, Alaska, or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in Anchorage, Alaska

Refer to charted regulation section numbers

Mercator Projection Scale 1:40,000 at Lat. 57°03' North American Datum of 1983 (World Geodetic System 1984)

SOUNDINGS IN FATHOMS AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER

#### NOAA WEATHER RADIO BROADCASTS

The NOAA Weather Radio stations listed below provide continuous weather broadcast. The reception range is typically 20 to 40 nautical miles from the antenna site, but can be as much as 100 nautical miles for stations at high elevations.

Mt. McArthur, AK KZZ-95 162.525 MHz Cape Fanshaw, AK KZZ-98 162.425 MHz Zarembo I, AK KZZ-91 162.450 MHz Wrangell, AK WXJ-83 162.40 MHz

#### VEGETATION

The land is generally heavily wooded up to an elevation of 1500 feet. Above that the woods gradually thin out and the higher elevations are bare.

#### WARNING

The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

#### AUTHORITIES

Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the U.S. Coast Guard and Geological Survey.

#### **Table of Selected Chart Notes**

#### UPDATING SERVICE

FOR THIS CHART, a listing of NOTICE TO MARINERS corrections subsequent to the date shown in the lower left hand corner is available from the Chief, Marine Chart Division (N/OS2), National Ocean Service, NOAA, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282.

#### WIRE DRAGGED AREAS

The area tinted green was swept in 1917-1924 for previously undetected dangers to navigation. All dangers found are shown on this chart.

#### SOURCE DIAGRAM

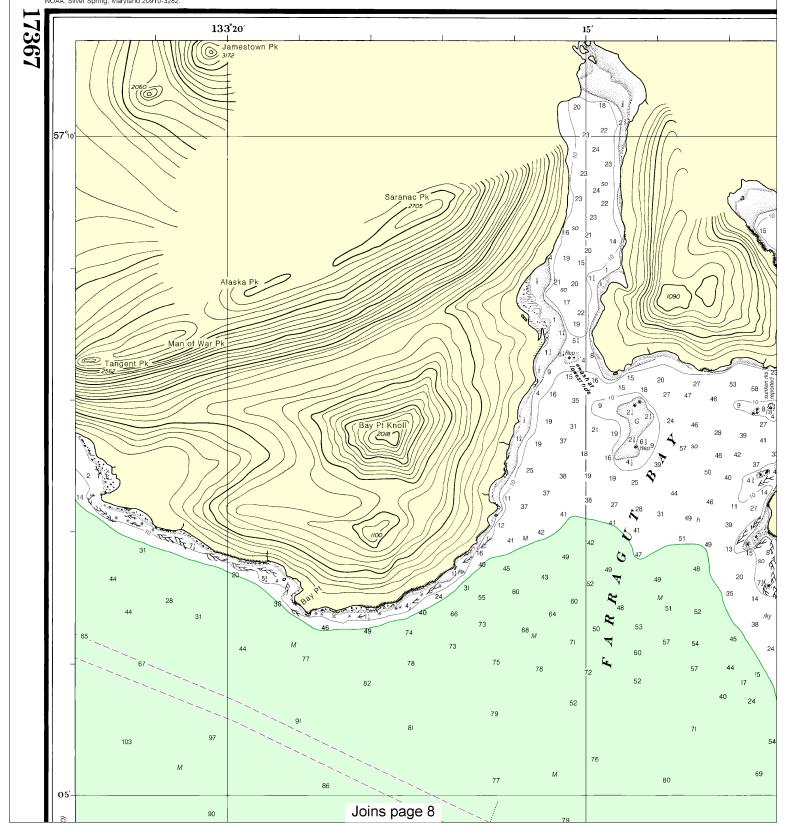
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#### COLREGS, 80.1705 (see note A)

International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972. The entire area of this chart falls seaward of the COLREGS Demarcation Line

ABBREVIATIONS (For complete list of Symbols and Abbreviations, see Chart No. 1.)
Aids to Navigation (lights are white unless otherwise indicated): AERO aeronautical G green Mo morse code R TR radio towe Al alternating IQ interrupted quick Rot rotating B black Bn beacon C can OBSC obscured
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Or orange s seconds SEC sector St M statute miles Iso isophase LT HO lighthouse M nautical mile m minutes DIA diaphone Q quick VQ very quick MICRO TR microwave tower F fixed R red FI flashing Mkr marker Ra Ref radar reflector WHIS whistle R Bn radiobeacon Bottom characteristics: gy gray h hard M mud Blds boulders Oys oysters Rk rock so soft bk broken G gravel Grs grass Cy clay S sand sv sticky Miscellaneous AUTH authorized Obstn obstruction PD position doubtful Subm submerged 2D existence doubtful PA position approximate Represented
21. Wreck, rock, obstruction, or shoal swept clear to the depth indicated.
(2) Rocks that cover and uncover, with heights in feet above datum of soundings.

Place		Height referred to datum of soundings (MLLW)			
Name	(LAT/LONG)	Mean Higher High Water	Mean High Water	Mean Low Water	Extreme Low Water
		feet	feet	feet	feet
Portage Bay	(57°00'N/133°19'W)	15.5	14.6		-5.0
Thomas Bay	(57°00'N/132°47'W)	15.4	14.5	1.5	-5.0





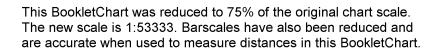
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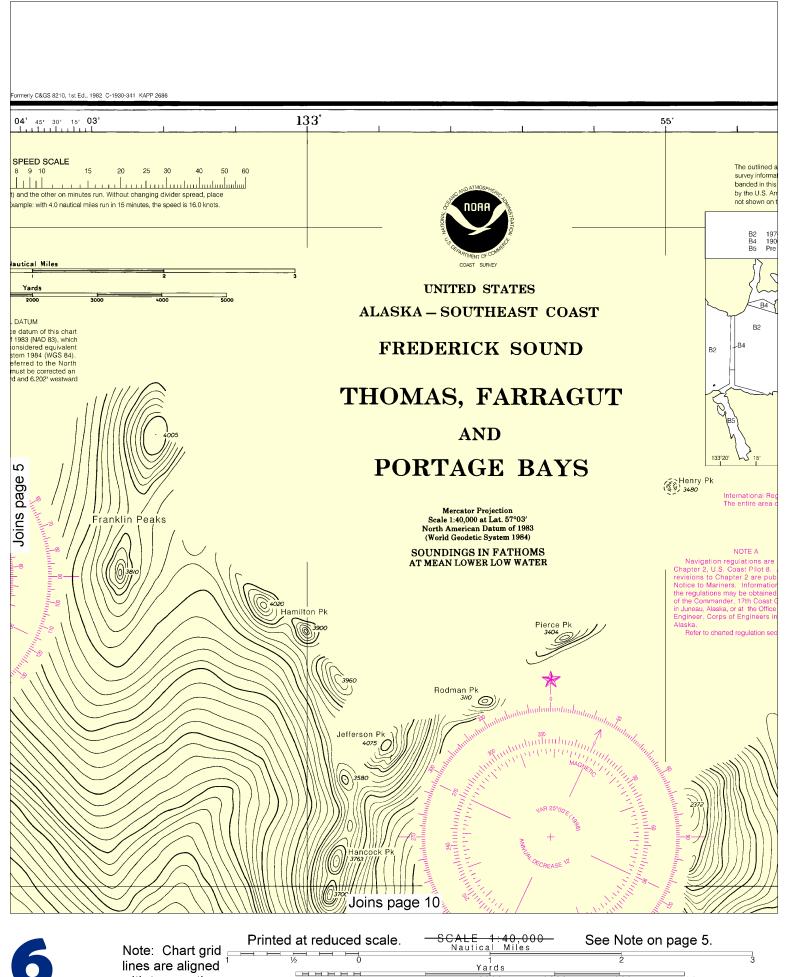
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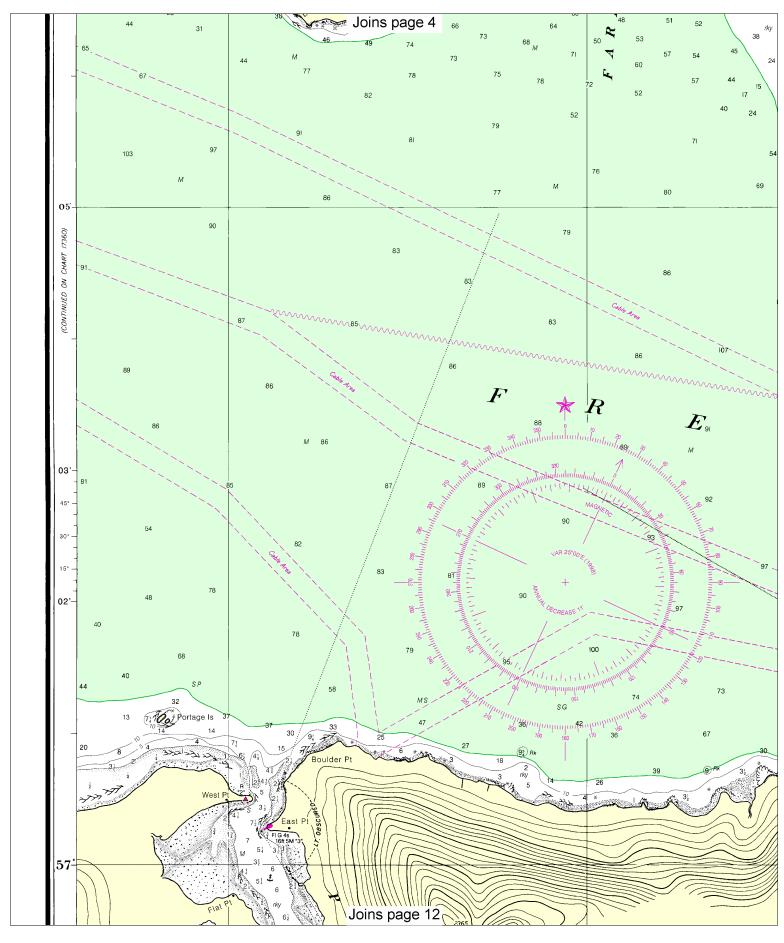






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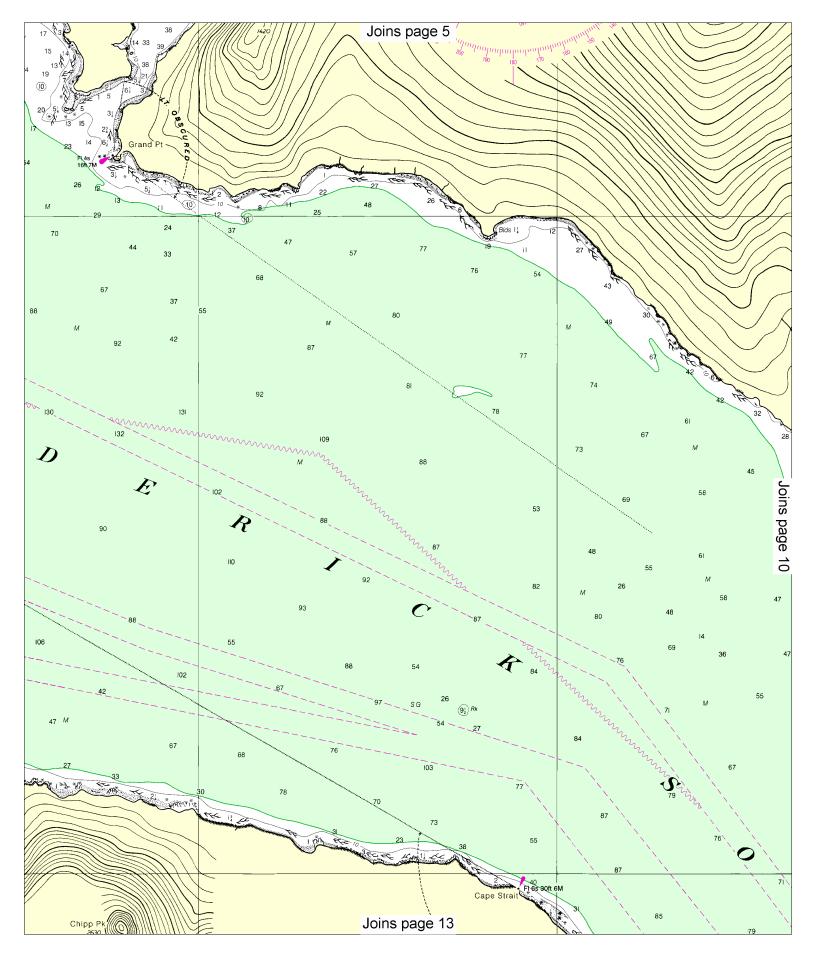
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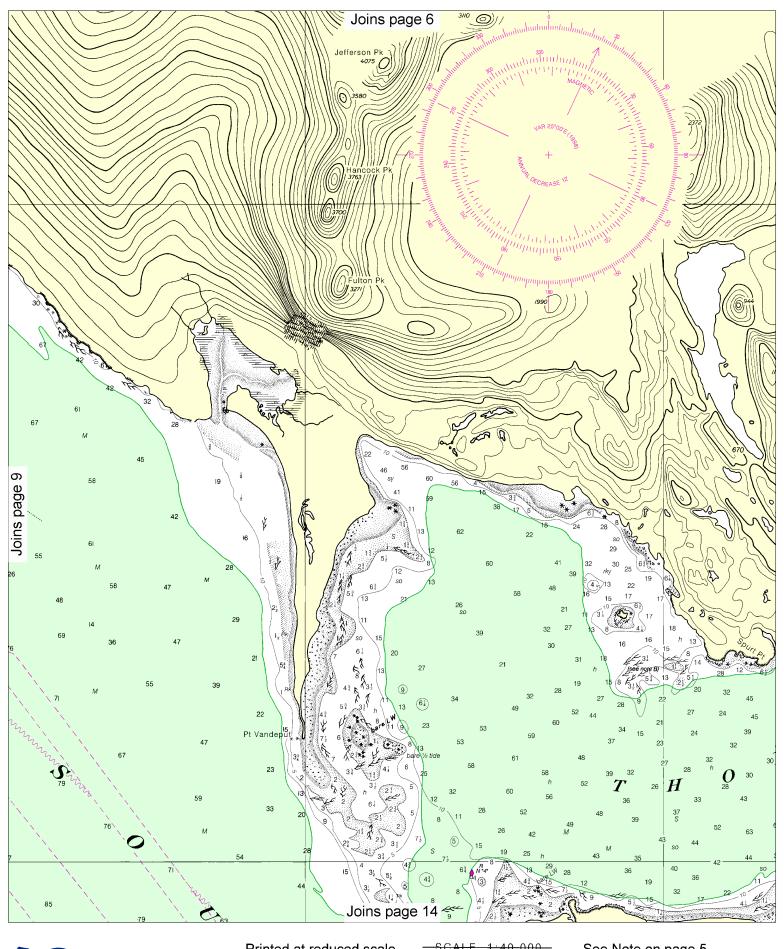
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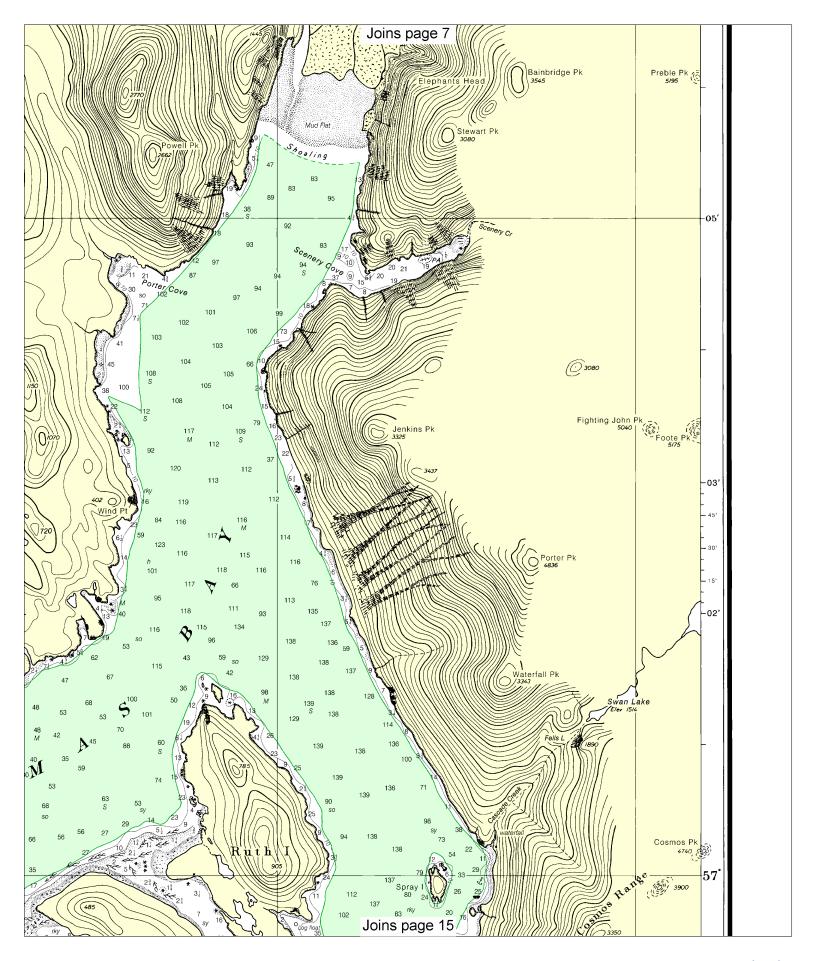
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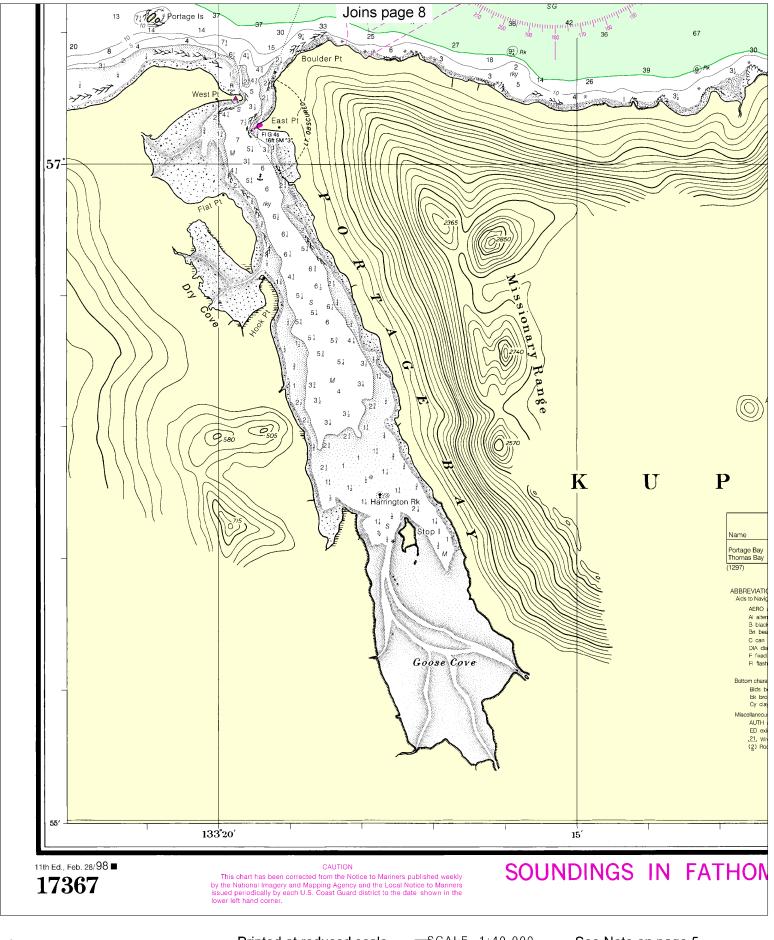
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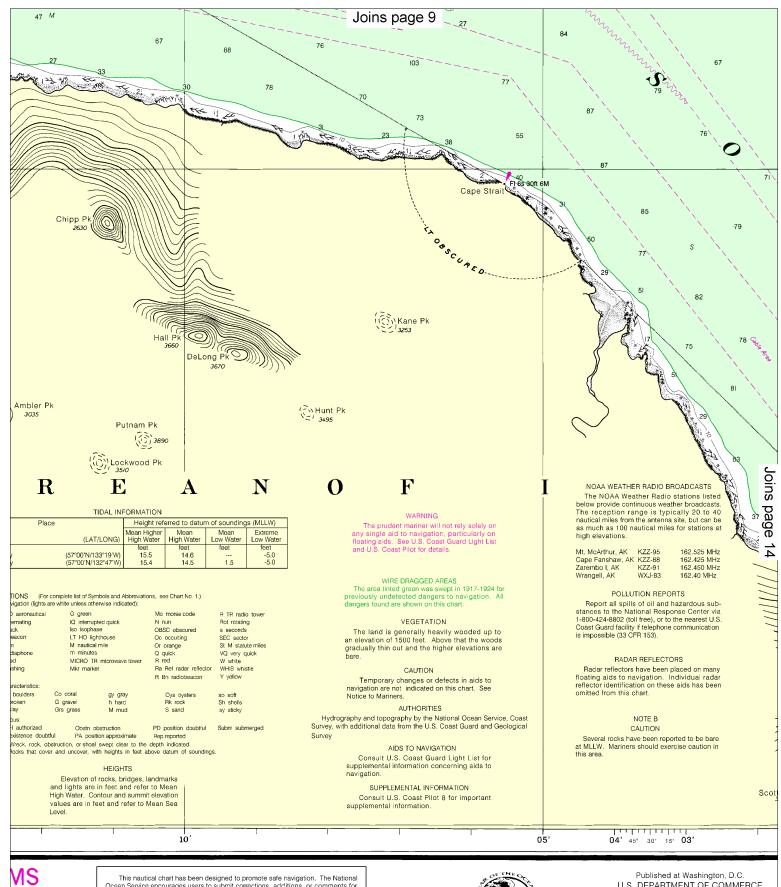




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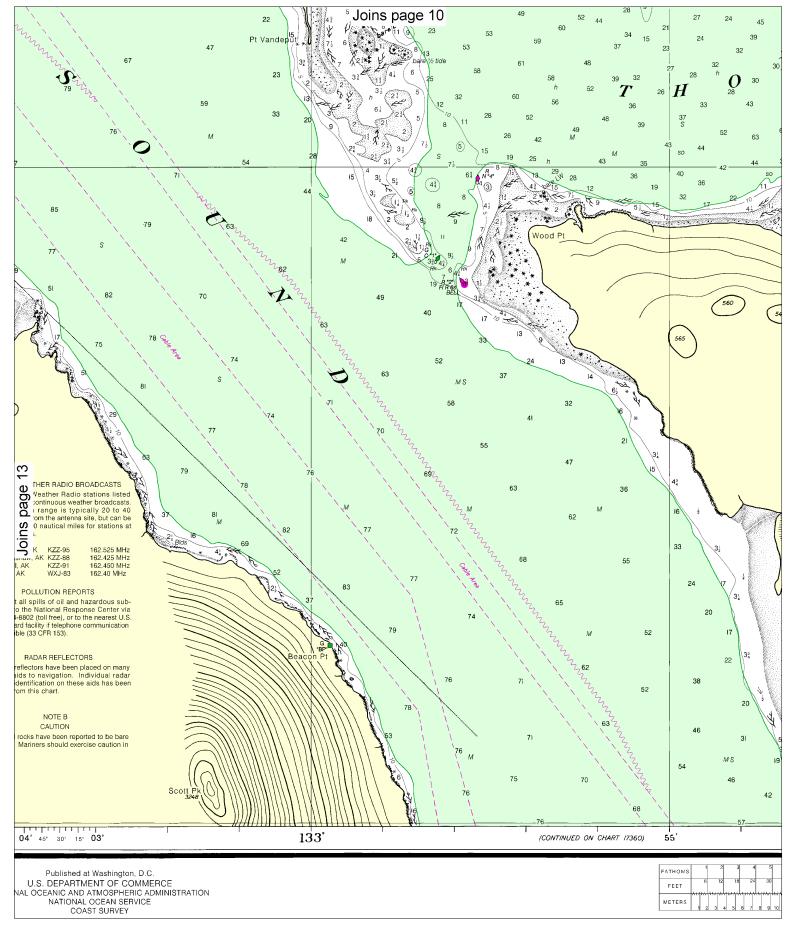
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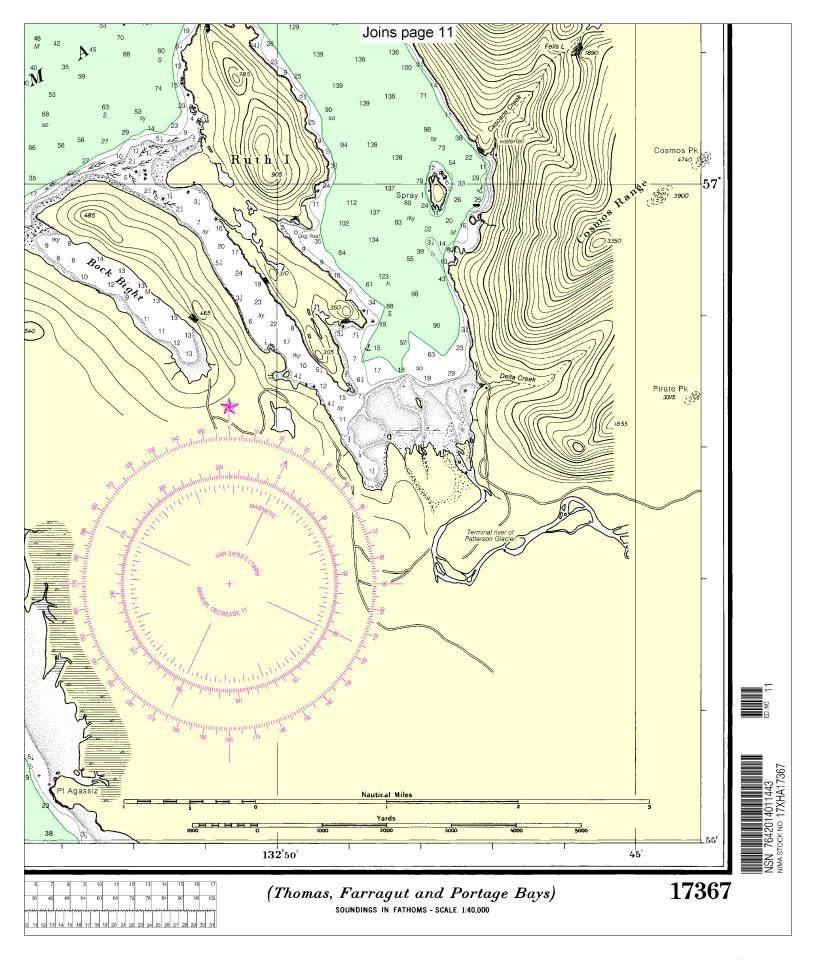
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#### VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

**Channel 6** – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other

vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here. Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A – Recreational boat channels.

**Getting and Giving Help** — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

#### **Distress Call Procedures**

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of

Emergency; Number of People on Board.

- · Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!



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